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Prevent is the Government's strategy to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism, in all its forms. Prevent works with individuals and communities by using Voluntary early intervention to encourage them to challenge extremist and terrorist ideologies and behaviours.

"Safeguarding vulnerable people from radicalisation is no different from safeguarding them from other forms of harm"

Is Prevent Safeguarding?

YES! Prevent is safeguarding. In the same way that support is available and provided to people at risk of involvement with drugs, gangs and knife crime. Similarly individuals vulnerable to being brainwashed and groomed into radicalisation can also be helped.

How do we deliver the message?

Community engagement is essential. We work closely with statutory, local, voluntary and community groups and individuals to collaboratively deliver the Prevent Strategy.

Prevent seeks to increase understanding to frontline staff and community members. They are offered training to raise their awareness on how to better support their communities we live in. Listening to and working with the communities in Wakefield is how we do this.

What is Channel?

Channel is a safeguarding panel which supports Prevent. It is a confidential and voluntary process where safeguarding professions meet to discuss support options which can be offered to vulnerable residents.

Your local team

While Prevent is a national strategy, it is delivered by your local authority. We can provide tailored support to vulnerable residents that reflects the communities in which they live. Where safeguarding concerns are serious, support can be provided through channel.

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A confidential process	Offers a safe space where people can share their concerns about extremism and radicalisation and come up with solutions
Concerned with all forms of extremism	Addresses vulnerabilities to radicalisation in all its forms, including: the extreme far-right, the extreme far-left, groups such as Daesh, or any other form of extremist ideology.
A voluntary service	Offers non-compulsory safeguarding support to vulnerable residents who have the final say about whether to accept support or not
Constantly seeking to promote discussion and debate	Organises events including community Q&As, free training, and workshops/assemblies within schools
Committed to providing support for those who want and need it	Ensures all referrals are genuine, appropriate and managed sensitively
Tailored to each individual	Provides various forms of free support to Individuals including mentoring, employment support, sporting activities, and discussions with faith leaders or credible ideological experts

Key contact and further information

For further advice, information or training:

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National guidance:
The Prevent Strategy
The Prevent Duty
Channel Programme